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2013 Drinking Water Quality Report Colonial Estates #3 PWS 0300064

Is my water safe?

We are pleased to present this year's Annual Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) as required by the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). This report is designed to provide details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. This report is a snapshot of last year's water quality. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where does my water come from?

Our water comes from the Graham Ferry Aquifer.

Source water assessment and its availability

The source water assessment ranks our water supply as moderate in susceptibility to contamination. This report is available in the office.

Why are there contaminants in my drinking water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

How can I get involved?

If you have any questions concerning your water supply, please contact Lana Hawkins at 228.386.4962.

Monitoring and reporting of compliance data violations

During a sanitary survey conducted on 10/1/2012, the Mississippi State Department of Health cited the following significant deficiency(s):

INADEQUATE INTERNAL CLEANING/MAINTENANCE OF STORAGE TANKS

FAILURE TO MEET WATER SUPPLY DEMANDS (OVERLOADED)

Corrective Action: MSDH is currently working with this system to return them to compliance since the expiration of the compliance deadline. It is anticipated we will be returned to compliance by December 31, 2014.

IMPROPERLY CONSTRUCTED WELL (NOT PROPERLY GROUTED)

Corrective action: The system is currently in the MSDH well abandonment program and is awaiting funds to properly abandon the well. It is anticipated to be completed by December 31, 2014.

Additional Information for Lead

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Colonial Estates #3 is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Water Quality Data Table

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. All sources of drinking water contain some naturally occurring contaminants. At low levels, these substances are generally not harmful in our drinking water. Removing all contaminants would be extremely expensive, and in most cases, would not provide increased protection of public health. A few naturally occurring minerals may actually improve the taste of drinking water and have nutritional value at low levels. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. In this table you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, we have provided the definitions below the table.

	MCLG	MCL,							
	or	TT, or	Your	Ra	nge	Sample			
Contaminants	MRDLG	<u>MRDL</u>	Water	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Violation</u>	Typical Source	
Disinfectants & Disinfectant By-Products									
(There is convincing	evidence th	at additio	n of a di	sinfect	ant is n	ecessary	for control o	f microbial contaminants)	
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60	11	NA		2011	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination	
Chlorine (as Cl2) (ppm)	4	4	0.9	0.5	1.3	2013	No	Water additive used to control microbes	

Inorganic Contamina	ants									
<u>Contaminants</u>	MCLG	AL	Water	Dat	• 1	xceeding		AL	Typical Source	
Uranium (ug/L)	0	30	0.096 Your	Sam	0.096 ple	# Sample		No Exceed	Erosion of natural deposits	
Radium (combined 226/228) (pCi/L)	0	5	ļ		0.776	<u> </u>			Erosion of natural deposits	
Alpha emitters (pCi/L)	0	15	1	0.8	1	2012		No	Erosion of natural deposits	
Radioactive Contam	inants		·		1					
Thallium (ppb)	0.5	2	0.5	NA		2012		No	Discharge from electronics, glass, and Leaching from ore-processing sites; drug factories	
Selenium (ppb)	50	50	2.5	NA		2012		No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines	
Mercury [Inorganic] (ppb)	2	2	0.5	NA		2012		No	Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from refineries and factories; Runoff from landfills; Runoff from cropland	
Cyanide [as Free Cn] (ppb)	200	200	15	NA		2012		No	Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories; Discharge from steel/metal factories	
Chromium (ppb)	100	100	0.5	NA		2012		No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosic of natural deposits	
Cadmium (ppb)	5	5	0.5	NA	And the state of t	2012		No	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints	
Beryllium (ppb)	4	4	0.5	NA		2012		No	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; Discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries	
Arsenic (ppb)	0	10	0.5	NA		2012		No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes	
Antimony (ppb)	6	6	0.5	NA		2012		No	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder; test addition.	
Nitrite [measured as Nitrogen] (ppm)	1	1	0.02	NA		2013		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits	
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen] (ppm)	10	10	0.08	NA		2013		No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits	
Fluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.467	NA		2012		No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories	
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.00415	NA		2012		No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits	
Inorganic Contamin	ants	<u> </u>	1	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	1.	<u></u>		1	
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (ppb)	NA	80	9	NA		2011		No	By-product of drinking water disinfection	

Copper - action level at consumer taps (ppm)	1.3	1.3	0	2011	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
Lead - action level at consumer taps (ppb)	0	15	0	2011	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

Additional Contaminants

In an effort to insure the safest water possible the State has required us to monitor some contaminants not required by Federal regulations. Of those contaminants only the ones listed below were found in your water

<u>Contaminants</u>	State MCL	Your Water	<u>Violation</u>	Explanation and Comment
Volatile Organic Contaminants	5 ppb	0.5 ppb	No	
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Term	Definition
ug/L	ug/L: Number of micrograms of substance in one liter of water
ppm	ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
ppb	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (μg/L)
pCi/L	pCi/L: picocuries per liter (a measure of radioactivity)
NA	NA: not applicable
ND	ND: Not detected
NR	NR: Monitoring not required, but recommended.

Important Drinking Water Definitio	ns
Term	Definition
MCLG	MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MCL	MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
ТТ	TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
AL	AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Variances and Exemptions	Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.
MRDLG	MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
MRDL	MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MNR	MNR: Monitored Not Regulated
MPL	MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level

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